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Implementation of the report of the Geologist according to G.O. Ms. No. 1326, *Development, dated* 29*th March* 1953.

* 783 *Q.*—SRI VAVILALA GOPALAKRISHNAIAH: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state the decision taken by the State Government on the implementation of the proposals recommended by Sri Krishnaswami, Geologist, in his report (vide G.O. Ms. No. 1326, Development, dated 29th March 1952)?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO:—" Sri Krishnaswamy in his report has suggested among others, the starting of the following industries as measures for amelioration of the condition of the hill tribes in the Agency tracts—

(1) Coal mining industry, after carrying out trial borings in 12 places if such trials go to prove the existence of coal.

(2) Starting of ceramic and paint industries near Araku.

(3) Starting of a pencil factory as an adjunct to the Andhra Paper Mills, at Rajahmundry.

(4) Starting of a cement industry at Bhadrachalam.

Item (1).—The Government have decided to take up the investigation of coal deposits in Godavari Valley in 1954 as no financial provision could be made in the budget for 1953–54.

Item (2).—The prospects of ceramic and paint industries near Araku are not considered economic at present.

Item (3).—The starting of a pencil factory was not considered promising in view of the quality of graphite and the non-availability of suitable woods. It was however considered that beneficiation of graphite with a view to use it in the crucible industry was more promising. The Director of Industries and Commerce has been asked to submit necessary proposals for laboratory and pilot experiments. His proposals are awaited.

Item (4).—It is considered that the cement industry need not be sponsored at present in view of the sufficiency of existing production."

SRI VAVILALA GOPALAKRISHNAIAH:—" May I know what are the other recommendations and what the Government propose to do especially about cottage industries? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO:—" The hon. Member may put a separate question, Sir, to the Hon. Minister for Rural Welfare."

SRI VAVILALA GOPALAKRISHNAIAH:—" I think industries cover cottage industries also."

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO:—" May I tell the hon. Member that cottage industries is dealt with by my Hon. Colleague Sri Pattabhi Rama Rao? "

SRI T. VISWANATHAM :—" Will the Hon. Minister for Rural Welfare enlighten the House as to what are the cottage industries which he proposes to introduce as a result of these recommendations ? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" I dare say if sufficient notice is given to my Hon. Colleague, he will satisfy the Opposition."

SRI T. VISWANATHAM :—" I am asking his Hon. Colleague."

MR. SPEAKER :—" But he is not here."

Reconstruction of Veeraparagrama tank anicut in Tirunelveli district.

* 784 *Q.*—SRI P. URKAVALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state— 9–10 a.m.

(a) whether the Government have taken up the reconstruction scheme of the Veeraparagrama tank anicut at Nikshabavanthi of Karivalamvandanallur village of Sankarankoil taluk of Tirunelveli district; and

(b) if so, what is its present stage and what is the cause for not yet completing the scheme?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" (a) & (b) A proposal to carry out improvements to the anicut as permanent remedial measures is under investigation by the Public Works Department."

Repairs to the road from Payyanur to Pallichal, North Malabar.

* 785 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state when the repairing of the road from Payyanur to Pallichal in North Malabar will be completed ?

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" The annual repairs to the road from Payyanur to Pallichal for 1952–53 have been completed."

Amount sanctioned for the Nellore district under the Five-Year Plan.

* 786 *Q.*—SRI B. RAMAKRISHNA REDDI : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) the amount that has been sanctioned to the Nellore district under the Five-Year Plan; and

(b) the various works that are contemplated year by year?

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" (a) The Five-Year Plan is not drawn up districtwise and no specific amount is allocated to the Nellore district. Recently a sum of Rupees 1,29,100 has been allotted to this district from the grant of 40 lakhs made by the Government of India for the programme of local development.